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Sri A. GOVINDASAMY: The Hon. Minister is making allegations against me, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. Member cannot get up and interrupt. He can rise on a point of order. If he has got any doubt, let him rise on a point of order. Then I will give my ruling, but not after my suggestion. Next question.

Sri K. ANBAZHAGAN: On a point of order, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER: I have gone to the next question.

Tamil text-books

* 838 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any decision has been taken to publish Tamil text books for all standards of elementary schools from 1962–63 ; and

(*b*) if so, the details of the same ?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) It has been provisionally decided to publish Tamil text books for two standards for use in 1961–62 and for all standards for use in 1962–63.

Sri N. K. PALANISAMI: இந்தப் பாடங்களைத் தேர்ந்தெடுக்க ஏதாவது குழு ஏற்படுத்தப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா ; தேர்ந்தெடுக்கும் போது என்னென்ன முறையில் பாடங்கள் இருக்க வேண்டும் என்று அவர்களுக்குக் குறிக்கோள் கொடுக்கப்படுகிறதா?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM: அதற்கு ஒரு முறை வகுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. தனிக் கேள்வி கேட்டால் விவரமாகச் சொல்லுகிறேன்.

Closing down certain elementary schools in Tiruchirappalli district

* 839 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the private managements of elementary schools in Tiruchirappalli district have threatened to close down educational institutions in view of the decisions of the Government that the elementary education should be free in Government-aided schools ; and

(*b*) if so, the steps taken by the Government to prevent closing down of the above institutions ?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM: (*a*) No, Sir ; Government did not receive any threat from any management saying that it will close down its school. But they received general representations to the effect that it will not be possible to run the schools on the basis of the grant given to them by the Government alone and that they may be compelled to close down.

(*b*) The Government have considered the question and have issued instructions liberalising the grant payable to such schools.